

REMARKS

STATEMENTS OF COMMON OWNERSHIP

The present application, Serial No. 10/606,523, and Patent No. 6,061,114 to Callegari were, at the time the invention of Application Serial No. 10,606,523 was made, owned by International Business Machines Corporation.

The present application, Serial No. 10/606,523, and Patent No. 6,682,786 to Lien were, at the time the invention of Application Serial No. 10,606,523 was made, owned by International Business Machines Corporation.

The present application, Serial No. 10/606,523, and Patent No. 6,519,018 to Samant et al. were, at the time the invention of Application Serial No. 10,606,523 was made, owned by International Business Machines Corporation.

RESPONSE TO REJECTIONS

Claims 14-21 are pending. The Examiner's reconsideration of the objections and rejections is respectfully requested in view of the remarks.

Claims 14-19 stand rejected to under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-6 of Callegari et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,665,033), hereinafter Callegari '033.

A terminal disclaimer is attached hereto with respect to Callegari '033. The Examiner's reconsideration of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 14-19 stand rejected to under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-2, 5-7, 9, 12 and 14 of Katoh et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,485,614).

A terminal disclaimer is attached hereto with respect to Katoh. The Examiner's reconsideration of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 14-19 stand rejected to under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) be being anticipated by Callegari (U.S. Patent No. 6,061,114).

The Statement of Common Ownership (see above) is believed to overcome the present rejection with respect to Claims 14-19. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 14, 20 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Lien et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,682,786). The Examiner stated essentially that Lien teaches all the limitations of Claims 14, 20 and 21.

The Statement of Common Ownership (see above) is believed to overcome the present rejection with respect to claims 14, 20, and 21. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 14, 20 and 21 stand rejected to under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 26 of Samant et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,519,018).

A terminal disclaimer is attached hereto with respect to Samant. The Examiner's reconsideration of the present rejection is respectfully requested. The Examiner's reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

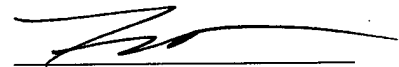
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The Statement of Common Ownership (see above) is believed to overcome the present rejection with respect to claims 14, 20 and 21. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

For the forgoing reasons, the application, including Claims 14-21, is believed to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration of the case is respectfully requested.

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